THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Government is aware of a news item published in the Hindi daily "Dainik Jagran" of 13.01.2002.

(b) to (d) 1. Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy which was established in the year 1975 as an autonomous organization under the Department of Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy has been engaged in the research activities of Homoeopathy medicine.

2. National Institute of Homoeopathy, another autonomous body under this Department is having Post Graduate Departments in Homoeopathy medicine and also undertakes Research in Homoeopathy medicine.

3. Department of Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy is also implementing a scheme for Extra Mural Research in ISM and H under which financial assistance is given to accredited research institutions for undertaking research projects.

4. Homoeopathy Colleges in the country where Post Graduate Departments are established, are also involved in Research activities.

Quality of ISM physicians

†4092. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whetehr colleges have been set-up for producing of qualified physicians in Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani Systems of medicine in the country;

(b) if so, the total number of such colleges in 2000;

(c) the average number of physicians coming out from these colleges annually after passing examinations;

(d) whether it is a fact that efficiency of the physicians is not found upto the mark on account of lack of essential facilities in the above colleges; and

(e) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) There were 198 Ayurveda, 35 Unani, 02 Siddha Colleges in 2002.

(c) About 7710 Ayurved, 240 Siddha and 1325 Unani Physicians are coming out from these colleges annually.

(d) Central Council of Indian Medicine has laid down minimum standards & requirements for Ayurved, Siddha and Unani colleges and at the attached hospitals. After assessing the availability of essential infrastructure for practical training and other necessary facilities available at these colleges, the Central Council consider granting permission to these colleges for imparting Ayurveda, Unani and Siddha courses.

(e) Central Council of Indian Medicine also conducts visitation/inspection of these colleges for assessing the Minimum Standards and Requirements and infrastructure and other facilities available for imparting Ayurved, Unani, Siddha courses, as per requirements laid down by the Central Council.

Assistance provided for development of Homoeopathy

†4093. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of assistance provided by Government for the development of Homoeopathic system of medicine during last three years;

(b) the activities for which this assistance has been provided;

(c) the details of assistance provided for research centre situated in Bastar of Madhya Pradesh; and

(d) the details of achievements of this centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) During

the last three years an assistance/Grants-in-aid of Rs. 50.50 crores has been provided both under Plan and Non-Plan for the following activities :

(i) Central Council of Homoeopathy, New Delhi;

(ii) Homoeopathy Pharmacopoeia Committee;

(iii) National Institute of Homoeopathy, Kolkata;

(iv) Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy, New Delhi;

(v) Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia Laboratory, Ghaziabad;

(vi) Extra Mural Research Scheme;

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